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SUBJECT: Amended July 31, 1997 Mid-Year Report

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Enclosed please find an amended July 31, 1997, Mid-Year FEC report. This amended report is necessary to correct a recently discovered error which we thought had been previously corrected. The following provides a brief summary of the chronology to explain this error:

1. October 10, 1996 - The Longview - Kelso BCTC-PAC contributes \$ 550.00; check no.: 1007.
2. October 18, 1996 - The Brian Baird for Congress Campaign refunds the \$ 550.00 contribution (check no.: 724) since the Longview - Kelso BCTC-PAC is not registered with the FEC.
3. October 22, 1996 - Brian Baird for Congress files its FEC 12-Day Pre-General Report for 10/1/96 through 10/16/96. The report accurately depicts the contribution on Line 11c of the Detailed Summary Page. (REPORT NOT TO BE AMENDED)
4. December 4, 1996 - Brian Baird for Congress files its FEC 30th Day Report Following the General Election for 10/17/96 through 11/25/96. The report accurately depicts the refund on Line 20c on Detailed Summary Page. (However, the refund check has not been cashed. REPORT NOT TO BE AMENDED)
5. October 18, 1996 - December 31, 1996 - The refund check remains uncashed.
6. January 31, 1997 - Brian Baird for Congress files its FEC Year End Report for 11/26/96 through 12/31/96. The report accurately reflects campaign contribution/refund activity. However, the refund check remains uncashed. (REPORT NOT TO BE AMENDED)
7. January 1, 1997 - April 28, 1997 - The refund check remains uncashed.
8. April 29, 1997 - In error, the Brian Baird for Congress campaign misinterprets FEC rules (see *italics* below) and balances account by accepting the \$ 550.00 contribution. (We issued stop payment on Check no.: 724.) *The campaign may accept contribution if unregistered committee [can verify that it] had sufficient lawful funds in its account at the time it made the contribution.*
9. July 31, 1996 - Brian Baird for Congress files FEC Mid-Year Report which erroneously depicts the uncashed check as a contribution on Schedule A. (THIS IS THE REPORT TO BE AMENDED - SEE ATTACHMENTS)
10. August 23, 1997 - Brian Baird for Congress discovers April 29, 1997 error.
11. August 25, 1997 - Brian Baird for Congress issues a new refund check to the Longview - Kelso BCTC-PAC in the amount of \$ 550.00; check no.: 973, dated 8/25/97.



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